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Date: December 27, 2000

Docket No.: 3562-0111P

**BOX PATENT APPLICATION**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

As authorized by the inventor(s), transmitted herewith for filing is a patent application applied for on behalf of the inventor(s) according to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c).

Inventor(s): MISAWA, Takeshi; HARA, Toshita; and ITO, Takeyoshi

For: INPUT UNIT, INFORMATION RECORDING APPARATUS AND DIGITAL CAMERA USING THE SAME

Enclosed are:

- ☒ A specification consisting of twenty-three (23) pages
- ☒ Six (6) sheet(s) of formal drawings
- ☐ Applicant does not claim priority
- ☒ Applicant claims the right of priority based on JP11-369511 filed in JAPAN on December 27, 1999.
  - ☒ Certified copy is attached hereto
  - ☐ Certified copy will follow
- ☒ Executed Declaration in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.64 will follow
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27

- ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.76
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and reference(s)
- ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Applicant requests early publication - \$300.00 publication fee

The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

|   |                 |                 | LARGE ENTITY    | SMALL ENTITY |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------|
| BASIC FEE   |                 |                 | \$710.00        | \$355.00     |
|   | NUMBER<br>FILED | NUMBER<br>EXTRA | RATE FEE        | RATE FEE     |
| <b>TOTAL<br/>CLAIMS</b>   | 17-20=          | 0               | x 18 = \$0.00   | x 9= \$0.00  |
| <b>INDEPENDENT<br/>CLAIMS</b>                                   | 6-3=            | 3               | x 80 = \$240.00 | x40= \$0.00  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> MULTIPLE DEPENDENT<br>CLAIMS PRESENTED |                 |                 | + \$270.00      | + \$135.00   |
| <b>TOTAL</b>  |                 |                 | \$950.00        | \$0.00       |

- ☒ The application transmitted herewith is filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c). The undersigned has been authorized by the inventor(s) to file the present application. The original duly executed declaration together with the surcharge will be forwarded in due course.
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$950.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this transmittal form is enclosed.
- ☒ Please send correspondence to:

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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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Applicant: T. MISAWA et al.  
Appl. No.: NEW Group: Unassigned  
Filed: December 27, 2000 Examiner: UNASSIGNED  
For: INPUT UNIT, INFORMATION RECORDING  
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L E T T E R

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

December 27, 2000

Sir:

Under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 119 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.55(a), the applicant(s) hereby claim(s) the right of priority based on the following application(s):

| <u>Country</u> | <u>Application No.</u> | <u>Filed</u>      |
|----------------|------------------------|-------------------|
| JAPAN          | 11-369511              | December 27, 1999 |

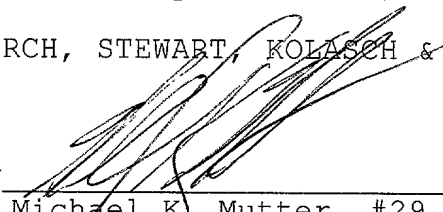
A certified copy of the above-noted application(s) is(are) attached hereto.

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The above information is submitted to advise the U.S.P.T.O.  
of all relevant facts in connection with the present application.

A timely executed Declaration in accordance with 37 C.F.R.  
§ 1.64 will follow.

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